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RUSSIAN BALTIC FLEET  
SAILS FOR FAR EASTWILL STOP AT LIBAU FOR A FEW  
DAYS

Armada Will Leave This Port With  
Almost Forty Pennants Flying—  
Course of Vessels Not Known—Quiet  
at the Front—Japanese Casualties at  
Liao Yang Officially Stated as 17,539  
—Report That Alexieff Has Resigned  
—More Russians Ordered Out.

What little news was received Sunday from the Manchurian theater of war indicates the almost entire suspension of active operations by both Russians and Japanese. The last despatch from Mukden was filed by a correspondent of The Associated Press yesterday evening. It said that all was quiet in that region and the understanding was that the main force of the Japanese had retired to Yental on the railroad, about ten miles northeast of Liao Yang. Kuropatkin briefly reports that there was no fighting Saturday except small patrol encounters.

A despatch received in London from St. Petersburg gives a report that Viceroy Alexieff has resigned. The Baltic fleet, rumors regarding which have from time to time occupied the press reports, sailed Sunday from Cronstadt and it is officially announced that it is en route for the Far East. St. Petersburg dispatches indicate active preparations to receive the Russian fighting force. The story from Port Arthur is one of bombardments.

**A Russian Armada.**  
St. Petersburg, Sept. 11, 2:33 a. m.—The departure of the Baltic fleet for the Far East is officially announced. Admiral Brilleff, commander of the naval forces at Cronstadt will accompany the fleet as far as Libau from which port the Armada of almost 40 elements will sail immediately for the Orient.

The admiralty does not state how long Admiral Rojestvensky will stop at Libau but it is understood that it will be only for a few days.

The plan of the cruise has not been divulged but it has been carefully mapped out. Collectors accompany the fleet for the purpose of supplying the torpedo boat destroyers, whose steaming radius is small. Other collectors have already sailed or are awaiting orders at foreign ports to meet the squadron on the wall. All of the vessels are equipped with apparatus for coaling at sea. The general opinion is that the vessels will go by way of Suez but some rumors say that the cape route will be taken.

The decision of the admiralty to send out the fleet in the face of the existing situation in the Far East is evidence of the temper of the government to prosecute the war to a finish.

It is understood that there was considerable divergence of expert opinion in the question of delaying the sailing of the fleet until the spring but the emperor turned the scale in favor of immediate departure.

In this connection there are other war moves. Mobilization in southern Russia was announced today, and in addition practically all the reserve officers of the navy have been called out.

The emperor will leave about Sept. 15 for Kiel and Odesa to bid farewell to the eighth army corps. The first army corps has arrived at Mukden.

(At a meeting of the emperor's military advisers on Saturday War Minister Sakharoff recommended the sending of an additional 250,000 men to the Far East.

The very brief report from General Kuropatkin, which was given out Sunday, constitutes the latest news from the front. The place at which the despatch was filed is not indicated, but the report seems to show an almost entire suspension of active operations on both sides.

## BEFORE PORT ARTHUR.

## Reports of Japanese Reverses—Torpedo Boat Sunk.

Chefoo, Sept. 11.—11:20 p. m.—According to the latest news received here from Port Arthur, the Russians on September 4 shelled the Japanese covered trenches in front of Pailiehuang and destroyed them. Everything was quiet along the entire line during the night of September 4, but in the morning it was seen that the Japanese outposts had crept nearer the Russian lines. One incident of the recent bombardment of Port Arthur was the striking of the roof of a hospital by a Japanese shell. The Japanese fire was drawn to the hospital by the placing near it by the Russians of beacon signals.

One small Russian scouting party succeeded in creeping close to the Japanese entrenchments on Corner mountain, but the barking of dogs gave the alarm and prevented a further advance. Japanese reserves poured into the entrenchments and opened fire on the Russians, but a shell from a Russian battery landed in the trenches and killed many of the Japanese soldiers and thereinafter retired. This enabled the Russians to occupy the trench until dawn. The trench evidently was unimportant, for the Japanese made no attempt to retake it and the Russian scouts withdrew shortly after daybreak.

On September 6 a small body of Japanese troops captured some outpost trenches on High Hill, which is not far from Corner mountain, but upon the approach of a Russian detachment they evacuated this position without fighting.

The Port Arthur Novi Kral, in a recent

cent issue, declares that a Japanese colonel has been executed because he failed to occupy a certain position on Corner hill within a specified time.

In its issue of September 2, the same paper says that a Japanese torpedo boat struck a mine fourteen miles southeast of the harbor and sank, and that on the day after this occurrence the Japanese cruiser Itakushima also was damaged by a floating mine.

RUSSIAN TRANSPORT ARRIVES.

The Lena Thirty-one Days from Vladivostok at San Francisco.

San Francisco, Sept. 11.—The Russian transport Lena, Captain Berlinsk, put into this port today for repairs.

The Lena is thirty-one days from Vladivostok, via Bayata, Sakhalin islands. She made the run from Bayata in nineteen days, which is considered fast time. The Lena has a crew of 47 men and twenty-one officers, and carries twenty-three guns. She has three funnels and three masts.

Captain Berlinsk, who officially declares the Lena to be a transport, states that her engines and boilers are in need of repairs. After passing quarantine, the Lena anchored off the Union Iron works, where she now lies.

According to Brassey's naval annual, the Lena formerly was the Kherson, of the Russian volunteer fleet. Brassey refers to her as a "volunteer cruiser and also a transport vessel."

The Lena has a speed of 13 1/2 knots. Her hull is of steel and her displacement is 10,225 tons. She is 493 feet long, 53 feet inches wide, and has a draught of 24 feet. She has two propellers. Her indicated horsepower is 12,500. She was built at Hebburn, England, in 1895. According to Brassey the Lena carries three 4.7 inch quick firing guns and 20 smaller caliber.

The arrival of the Lena has been reported to Washington. Instructions are expected from the Washington authorities to-morrow as to the length of time the Lena may remain in port.

Pilot McCulloch, who brought the Lena into port, says that chains were wrapped around her hull, indicating that some of her plates were loose.

**RUSSIAN LOSSES 25,000**  
Russians Burned Vast Stores—Japs Captured Great Quantity.

Tokio, Sept. 11.—S. p. m.—Telegraphic reports received here to-day from headquarters of the Manchurian army declare the Japanese to be in full possession of the Yental coal mines, and estimate the Russian losses up to the fall Liao Yang to be over 25,000 men, and give additional details of the disposition of the Russian forces around Liao Yang during the battle. The estimate of losses does not include those suffered by the Russians by the rear guard action in the fight after the evacuation of Liao Yang.

Before the battle the Russians assembled a great number of railroad cars at Liao Yang, which were constantly used in the removal of wounded men and arms and ammunition to the rear for three or four days. Vast quantities of arms, ammunition and stores were Langbured at Liao Yang before the final retreat, but an enormous amount of shells, ammunition, powder wagons, stores and miscellaneous property was captured by the Japanese. Among the ammunition captured was a quantity of dum-dum bullets.

**QUIET AT THE FRONT.**  
Kuropatkin Reports Nothing but Insignificant Patrol Encounters.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 11.—In a telegram to Emperor Nicholas, dated September 10, General Kuropatkin says: "There were no hostilities to-day (Saturday) except insignificant patrol encounters in which we sustained no casualties."

Mukden, Sept. 11.—All is quiet in this region. It is understood that the main force of Japanese has retired to Yental. A solemn service was held here to-day for the repose of the souls of those killed in action. It was attended by the entire staff and garrison.

A few distant shots were heard during the ceremony, but this did not disturb the solemnity of the service.

The weather is threatening, and more rain is expected.

JAPANESE LOST 17,539.

Official Figures of the Casualties in Liao Yang Battle.

Washington, Sept. 11.—A dispatch from Tokyo which reached the Japanese legation to-day places the total casualties on the Japanese side at the battle of Liao Yang at 17,539 officers and men killed and wounded. Of these the army of the right (Kuroki's) lost 4,866, the center (Oku's) 4,992 and the left (Nodzu's) 7,681.

The number of officers killed was 136 and the number wounded 466.

MORE RESERVES CALLED OUT.

Those in Twenty-two Circuits Ordered to the Colors.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 11.—The emperor has called to arms the reserve troops in twenty-two circuits of the governments of Kherson, Bessarabia, Ekaterinoslav and Taurida, belonging to the military district of Odessa, and also one category of reserve officers throughout the empire.

ALEXIEFF RESIGNS.

No Decision Taken by the Czar in the Matter.

London, Sept. 11.—A despatch to Reuters Telegram Company from St. Petersburg says it is understood that Viceroy Alexieff, in view of the paramount exigencies in the Far East, has placed his resignation in the hands of the emperor, but that no decision with regard to it has yet been taken.

STEAM LAUNCH CUT IN TWO

EIGHT PLEASURE SEEKERS  
DROWNED IN DELAWARE.

Their Craft Ground to Pieces—Struck by the Steamer Delaware—All Thrown Into the Water—But Four Saved—Collision Occurs in the Dark—List of Drowned.

Philadelphia, Sept. 11.—The Delaware river steamer Columbia, on its way from this city to Bristol, Pa., to-night, crashed into a steam launch about ten miles north of here, grinding it to pieces and causing the drowning of eight of the dozen occupants of the small boat.

All of the party were Philadelphians. The dead are: Joseph Fortescue, owner of the launch; Wade Auday, Thomas Duffy, Thomas Corveller, Anna Young, Joseph Pfromer, Mrs. Joseph Pfromer, Engineer James Briggs.

The accident was the tragic ending of a day's pleasure trip on the river. The launch was owned by Joseph Fortescue, and the party had been made up from a few of his friends. The day was spent in a cruise up the river as far as Trenton. The return trip was begun after nightfall, the pilot of the boat keeping close to the Pennsylvania shore on the run down the river. When a point was reached near Andalusia, the Columbia suddenly loomed up in the darkness. Fortescue jammed his wheel to starboard, but just a moment too late. The big steamer struck the launch squarely in the middle and cut it in half, throwing all the occupants in the water. A terrible shriek went up as the boats struck, which almost caused a panic among the passengers of the Columbia.

Dozens of life preservers were thrown overboard to those in the water and a boat quickly lowered. Notwithstanding the fact that Captain Campbell of the Columbia instantly reversed his engine, the Columbia was some distance from the struggling people in the water when he came to a full stop. When the row-boat reached the spot only four people could be found in the darkness. It is believed that several of the victims were crushed by the paddle wheels of the Columbia. The four taken from the water are Thomas and Mrs. Dunn, John Heston and George Dunn.

RUSSIA MAKES HOLY APPEAL.

Imperial Ukase Asking for More Ardent Prayers—Special Exhortation.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 11.—The Official Messenger today publishes the following resolution which was adopted by the Holy Synod:

"By virtue of an imperial ukase to the effect that during trials of our dear country more ardent prayers should be offered for the victory of the Russian troops who are worshippers of Christ, over a cruel enemy, full of guile, the Holy Synod pronounces the time ripe for special prayers to be offered in all of the churches in the empire on Sundays and holidays after mass beseeching that Heavenly aid should be sent to the Russian army, which is sacrificing its life for its faith, its emperor and its country, for long life for the victorious troops and for the repose of the souls of the warriors who fall."

The following prayer has been specially ordained:

Although unworthy, we implore Thee, who are strong in battle, for aid and humbly beseech Thee to accept our weapons in Thy cause, to give Thy Christ-loving army victory and to permit it to subdue the enemy.

"Send from on high Thy hand and touch the hearts of the enemy so that they shall make application to Thee, the God of peace who loves His creatures."

"Strengthen us with Thy might. Defender of the faith send Thy arrows to confound the enemy. Strike them as with lightning and give them into the hands of Thy faithful troops."

"Thou who hastened to Moses, bless the emperor's doings, multiply his glory and confirm his empire. By Thy Almighty hand preserve his army. Send Thy angel to fortify his troops and give them salvation."

"Send peace upon us. May Thy invisible finger defend thy servants, show them the right path, forgive them their sins and bestow upon them the crown of glory."

"Grant the emperor peaceful life and well being, the fulfillment of his desires and a conquest of his enemies."

The prayer also appeals to the Virgin and concludes by beseeching eternal rest for the dead and for all those who have laid down their lives for their faith and their country.

C. A. Hawley of Stamford Dead.

Stamford, Sept. 11.—Charles A. Hawley, one of the best known of the elder residents of this city, died suddenly to-day of heart disease, in his eighty-fourth year. He was a son of Charles Hawley, the distinguished lawyer, and was born in Stamford in 1821. In 1858 he was elected lieutenant-governor and later practiced law. Mr. Hawley became connected with the Stamford National bank in 1861 and was made its president in 1878, serving in that office until 1902, when he retired from active business. He leaves a widow.

Locomotive Firemen Meet.

Buffalo, Sept. 11.—The ninth biennial convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen began here to-day. A large number of delegates have already arrived, and at the opening session 1,000 delegates will be in their seats.

John J. Hannahan, grand master, and Frank P. Sargent, commissioner-general of immigration, but formerly grand master of the firemen, were among to-day's arrivals. A special train which arrived to-night brought three hundred delegates from far western states.

PRESIDENT'S ACCEPTANCE.

Letter Made Public This Morning—Printed in Full.

President Roosevelt's letter to the republican notification committee accepting the republican nomination for president is made public this morning and is printed in full beginning on page 9 of this paper.

LEADERS TO CONFER.

Democrats to Gather in New York on Davis' Visit.

New York, Sept. 11.—The visit of Henry C. Davis, the democratic nominee for vice president, at this time, will be made the occasion of a conference of democratic leaders upon the issues of the campaign. Senator Gorman of Maryland, will come to New York to-morrow and William F. Sheehan, chairman of the national executive committee, will return from his visit to Esopus, where they have conferred with Judge Parker. It is possible that David B. Hill will come from Albany. James J. Smith of New Jersey, John R. McLean of Ohio, James M. Guffey of Pennsylvania, August Belmont and Delancey Nicolai of New York, and Secretary Urep Woodson will be present at the conference. Mr. Davis planned to come to New York some time ago, and desired to change views with the leaders here. Senator Gorman has not been in New York since the first meeting of the executive committee.

GERMANIC GOES AGROUND.

American Liner Ashore Off Sandy Hook—Position Not Dangerous.

New York, Sept. 11.—The White Star line steamer Germanic, in the service of the American line, which sailed from Southampton on September 3, went aground in the main ship channel about three-quarters of a mile off Sandy Hook, about 11:30 to-night. Reports from Sandy Hook show that the steamer does not appear to be in a bad position. She may possibly float clear at the next high water, to-morrow morning.

The pilot of the Germanic apparently held the vessel's course over too far on the south edge of the channel. Perceiving his danger he backed off and tried to go out through the Swash chan, but in doing so grounded the vessel hard and fast about three-quarters of a mile east of the north beacon on Sandy Hook. Her bow was swung completely around but her stern remains hard and fast. The sea is smooth.

MELBA IN FATAL ACCIDENT.

Her Automobile Fatally Injures Aged Man in France.

Paris, Sept. 11.—Mme. Melba, the distinguished singer, while driving this afternoon, accompanied by her two sons, the Misses Walker, in an automobile from the Hotel Ritz to Versailles, ran over a man over eighty-four years old and killed him instantly. The accident occurred on the Boulevard Periere. The chauffeur was not to blame as the old man got in the way of the automobile while endeavoring to escape being run over by a car. Mme. Melba was greatly distressed and returned to the hotel, where she is now confined to her apartments.

ANTI-SEMITIC RIOTING.

Outrages Against the Jews Continue in Russian Districts.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 11.—Anti-Semitic rioting took place at Rovno, in the government of Volhynia, September 14, during which many persons were injured and shops pillaged. A similar outbreak occurred at Smeina, in the government of Kiev, where the troops were called. Ninety-eight houses and 145 shops were pillaged, and several persons were seriously and many slightly wounded by the troops. Many of the rioters were arrested. The affair lasted for two days, September 4 and 5.

TRAIN ROBBERS' HAUL.

Secure \$6,000 from Safe of Canadian Pacific Express.

Winnipeg, Manitoba, Sept. 11.—The Canadian Pacific railroad west-bound transcontinental express was held up by four masked men last night at 9:30 o'clock four and a half miles west of Mission Junction. At the point of revolvers the express messenger was compelled to hand over the valuables and the safe was dynamited. The registered mail also was ransacked. The robbers escaped to the bush and are supposed to have crossed the boundary. They secured about \$6,000 from the express safe.

Kramer Makes New American Record.

Vailsburg, N. J., Sept. 11.—Vailsburg annual "handicap day" to-day produced a new American record for one mile, Frank L. Kramer winning the handicap at that distance from scratch in 1:49 2/5, only two-fifths of a second slower than the world's record for the distance, made by McFarland in Australia, several months ago. Kramer was alone on scratch, and had twenty-eight opponents strung out to 150 yards. He was forced to keep close to the top of the bank to pass the others, but managed to win from Bardgett by a length.

Britain Protests to Spain.

Madrid, Sept. 12.—The Herald says that Great Britain has protested against Spain for having acceded to the request of France to permit the Russian Baltic fleet to coal and victual, and remain at Corunna for a longer period than that permitted by international law.

PARTY OF FOUR MISSING

A LAUNCH LEAVING BRIDGE-PORT PROBABLY LOST.

Not Heard of Since Last Thursday—Mr. and Mrs. William F. Robertson, and Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Kolb Aboard—Furious Thunderstorm Swept Over Sound Shortly After They Left the Harbor.

Bridgeport, Sept. 11.—Grave fears are entertained for the safety of William F. Robertson and his wife, their daughter, Mrs. R. F. Kolb, and her husband, and who left this city Thursday afternoon in a naphtha launch, intending to go to Oyster Bay. A few hours after the launch, a thirty-eight-footer, made its way out of the harbor a furious thunder storm swept over the sound, and as no trace of the boat has been reported, or no word from any member of the party has been received, it is supposed that they were all lost in the storm. Mr. Robertson told his son just before he left that he expected to return with the party Friday noon at the latest, and that if they decided to stay away longer the son would receive word to that effect. Not a word has been received by the son, T. H. Robertson, or Dr. M. H. Robertson, another son, a dentist of Hartford. The two sons will start a search on both sides of the sound to-morrow morning in an attempt to trace the missing party. Word was sent to Oyster Bay Saturday de- scribing the launch and giving other details, but the report came back that no such boat had been seen at that summering place or in the immediate vicinity for over a week.

Mr. Robertson is a member of the Park City Yacht club and well known in this city. The boat that the party left in was painted white and although not a new one, it was seaworthy and had just slid off the ways, being thoroughly overhauled.

EAGLES BUST IN BALTIMORE.

Crescent City Members Flying Around Making Arrangements.

Baltimore, Sept. 11.—Though the national convention of the Fraternal Order of Eagles will not be formally opened until Tuesday morning, the local celebration of the event has already begun. The business streets of the city have been brilliantly illuminated to-night with elaborate electrical displays and the numerous delegates already arrived being hospitably entertained by the Baltimore lodge.

Contingents have reached here from Denver, Kansas City, Cincinnati, Topeka, Cleveland, Pittsburg, New Haven and many other places. Every incoming train to-night brought additional delegates, and it is estimated that seven thousand visitors have already arrived. A committee of one hundred ladies, the wives of local members, took formal charge of the Baltimore Eagle club-rooms and the various reception committees received their assignments. A sub-committee was on duty at each railway station to receive incoming Eagles and their wives. The members of the local aerie held open house in the Rathskeller attached to the club, and will continue during the week.

Among the grand aerie officers who have arrived is Grand Worthy Secretary A. E. Partridge, of Seattle, who is in charge of the official headquarters. This evening there was a grand reception at the clubhouse of grand aerie officers, members, delegates and visitors.

EXPLOSIONS IN ABBEY.

Singular Affair at Westminster—The Culprit Escapes.

London, Sept. 11.—A singular affair took place in Westminster Abbey to-day. At the middle of the morning service a series of loud explosions came from the north transept and started the kneeling congregation to its feet, causing an almost dangerous rush for the doors. Rev. Canon Duckworth succeeded in reassuring the people and in preventing a panic. It was discovered that the cause of the explosion was a firecracker, the label attached to which showed the outrage to be the work of a fanatical adherent of the late John Kensit, the anti-ritualistic crusader. The culprit escaped in the confusion following the explosions.

Because She Would Not Marry Him.

Boston, Sept. 11.—Enraged because of the woman's refusal to marry him John Guinasso, 30 years old, this afternoon, killed Regina Poplano, a widow, 25 years old, by cutting her throat with a razor then took his own life in a similar manner. Mrs. Poplano was murdered as she sat upon the front steps of her aunt's boarding house on Stillman Place, North End, in the Italian quarter.

Boston Steamfitters May Strike.

Boston, Sept. 11.—The local union of steamfitters, with a membership of 480, voted to-day to declare a strike in thirty-five shops to-morrow unless the employers grant the demand for a repeal of certain shop rules, and the recognition of the union, and the "closed shop."

Greeted by German Populace.

Schwernin, in Mecklenburg, Sept. 11.—Emperor William and mpress Augusta Victoria arrived here this evening, accompanied by Crown Prince Frederick William and his betrothed, the Duchess Cecelia of Mecklenburg-Schwernin. The city was lavishly decorated and the royal party was given an enthusiastic reception by the populace.

THEATRICAL AGENT SHOT.

Tragedy in Broadway Hotel—Woman Did Shooting.

New York, Sept. 11.—Warren J. Ferguson, thirty-eight years old, a theatrical advance agent, is lying in the New York hospital from a bullet wound received during a quarrel early to-day in the Metropolitan hotel, on Broadway, and a young woman who gave her name as Mrs. Gertrude Roberts, though admitting it to be fictitious, is under arrest and admits that she did the shooting. She says that Ferguson attempted to assault her, that she pointed the revolver at him to frighten him, and that during a scuffle it was discharged. Ferguson refused to accuse her. The woman had been living at the hotel for about two months and Ferguson for a somewhat shorter time. They occupied rooms on the same corridor. According to the statements of both, they had known each other for three years, having become acquainted at the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo.

Ferguson and Mrs. Roberts left the hotel together yesterday afternoon. Early this morning the woman returned and went to her room. Half an hour later Ferguson also returned, and instead of going to his room he went to Mrs. Roberts' and rapped on the door. He was admitted and soon after the couple called for refreshments. Some time later a violent ringing of the call bell summoned Charles Hill, a colored porter, to the room. Hill says that as he approached the door it opened, and he heard the woman say to her companion:

"Get out of here, I don't want you in here, and if you don't get out I'll shoot you."

Hill says that Ferguson was standing half inside the door and the woman was back of him trying to push him out with her right hand, while in her left, which was half raised from her side, was a tiny pistol. Hill dodged back into the hallway and slammed the door behind him. A few seconds later he heard a shot and the sounds of a violent scuffle ensued. When he opened the door he says, Ferguson was holding the woman, who still had the revolver in her hand. Seeing that Ferguson was wounded, Hill ran for a physician and notified the police. Mrs. Roberts left the room and went to the hotel office.

Before Ferguson was removed to the hospital she was arrested and taken to where he lay, and Ferguson was asked if she had shot him.

"No, I shot myself," said Ferguson. In the next breath he turned to the woman and said to her reproachfully, "Why did you do this?"

The young woman told the police that she came of an excellent family in Rochester, but refused to give the name of her parents. She was married in Rochester, she said, in June, 1898, and lived with her husband until August of that year, when they quarreled and parted. She then met Ferguson at the Pan-American exposition, and saw a good deal of him for awhile, and that they had met occasionally since.

Ferguson made a statement to the coroner, but refused to say anything regarding the quarrel with the woman.

SENSATION IN LONDON.

Wedding Engagement With Lord Mayor's Daughter Broken Off.

London, Sept. 11.—The wedding of Mr. McCalman, an official of the Egyptian government, with Constance, daughter of Sir James T. Ritchie, Lord mayor of London, and niece of the former chancellor of the exchequer, was fixed for tomorrow (Monday). Everything was prepared and costly presents were on exhibition at the Mansion House, when on Saturday at 8 o'clock in the evening a letter from Mr. McCalman arrived breaking off the engagement. He bride is prostrate with distress. Her brother says the mystery is inscrutable and that he has not the remotest idea why the engagement was broken off.

FIRE IN TORRINGTON.

Plant of Perkins Electrical Company Partly Destroyed.

Torrington, Sept. 11.—The plant of the E. A. Perkins Electrical company was partly destroyed by fire about midnight last night, entailing a loss of \$6,000. It was caused by a foreman of the plant dropping a lighted match in a pile of oakum, the blaze spreading with great rapidity. Aside from a number of valuable apparatuses, several models of electrical inventions made by Mr. Perkins were destroyed.

"Bobby" Walthour Wins in Germany.

Berlin, Sept. 11.—"Bobby" Walthour, the American cyclist, won the international bicycle race at 100 kilometres here to-day. His time was 2 hour 23 minutes and 18 seconds. Dickmann, of Holland, Hall, of Holland, and Robl, of Germany, finished as named. Walthour won easily and without having to change his motor pace.

Cigar Case Fatally Injures Clerk.

Torrington, Sept. 11.—A heavy mahogany showcase in the cigar store of Perry Brothers became loosened and fell this afternoon on Charles Revere, a clerk in the store, crushing him badly. His recovery is doubtful. Had it not been for a cash register, which arrested the fall of the case, Revere would have been crushed to death.

Offers \$10,000.

Paris, Sept. 12.—The Aito announces that C. L. Charley, the automobileist, has offered a prize of \$10,000 for the first automobile which successfully accomplishes a voyage from New York to Havre.

Leo Stern Dead.

London, Sept. 11.—Leo Stern, the violinist, husband of Suzanne Adams, the singer, is dead.

SECOND REGIMENT RETURN

ARRIVED LAST EVENING ON NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Big Crowd See Troops Land—Men Tired and Bedraggled—Texas and Georgia Regiments Make Trouble—Captain Ross and Lieutenant Jones Complimented—Gilson and Harris of Gray Overcome by Heat—Private O'Brien Collapses in Armory.

The Second regiment, Connecticut National guard, with Companies B, C, D, E, and F, of this city, arrived at Belle dock last evening shortly before 7 o'clock, on the big sound steamer New Hampshire, after ten days regimental work in camp at Manassas.

The men were tired and bedraggled and all of them were unanimous in declaring that they were thankful to have arrived safely home.

At first arrangements had been made to land the troops in this city a little after midnight Sunday morning, but the schedule given to the railroad companies by the quartermaster general was changed, and the troops remained on the camp ground until Sunday morning.

It had been planned by Major A. M. Johnson, commanding the Second company, Governor's Foot guards, to tender an escort to the Second regiment on its return, but owing to the uncertainty as to the time of arrival it was decided to abandon the plan.

When it was learned Sunday, however, that the regiment would not arrive until evening hundreds journeyed down to Belle dock to await the arrival of the New Hampshire with the citizen soldiers on board. Among them were many colored people, who, during the week, had been much worried over the newspaper reports regarding the Wilkins Tigers.

Before the New Hampshire steamed into the harbor every available space in and around Belle dock was occupied and a great crowd lined Tomlinson bridge from end to end.

The crowd caught sight of the boat when she poked her nose out from behind some coal barges near the Sperry lighthouse, and began to cheer and shout from that time until the weary troops succeeded in breaking away from their friends in the armory they were accorded a continuous ovation.

After landing at the dock the troops of other cities were well taken care of, a long string of cars awaiting their arrival. These were conveniently provided with signs with Meriden, Wallingford, Waterbury and the other places of destination tacked upon them. The baggage of the New Haven companies was taken to the armory from the boat in a number of big trucks belonging to Smalley & Co.

The majority of the New Haven companies, including one or two from out of town, marched to the armory headed by the Second Regiment band. Red fire was burned along the line of march, and at the armory there was a stampede of troops and citizens to worm their way into the building. Inside the cheering was deafening.

Nearly all of the New Haveners were played out and the majority of them believe that it will be some time before they are able to regain their health. All of them, however, declare that the kindness of the officers was unrelenting, and every private is unanimous in praise of them.

The trip, they said, was little short of terrible, and even the regulars ad-

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REPUBLICAN CAMPAIGN

Formally Opened by President's Letter of Acceptance.

Chicago, Sept. 11.—With the issuance of President Roosevelt's letter of acceptance tomorrow the republican national campaign may be considered as formally opened. It then depends upon the various state organizations to arrange for their meetings and the national committee will assign the speakers who are to do the work.

Partly in furtherance of this a number of state chairmen are being called in to see National Chairman Cortelyou, who has been in Chicago for the past week.

State openings will fall rapidly on the issuance of the President's letter. Michigan, Washington and Montana will begin on Sept. 15; Nebraska and West Virginia on Sept. 17; Indiana and Iowa on Sept. 20; Pennsylvania on Sept. 21; Minnesota on Sept. 24 and Ohio on Oct.